

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY
COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION FACULTY COUNCIL

September 15, 1978

PRESENT: Dean Pierre Simon, Chairman; Dr. P. Pasold, Secretary.
Professors: S. Alvi; V. Baba; B. Barbieri; G. Brink; G. Curnew;
J. Democko; D. Doreen; E. Douglas; J. Goodwin; H. Gram; M. Jamal;
G. Johns; V. Kirpalani; M. Kusy; H. Liebman; L. McGown; C. Nathan;
P. Pitsiladis; C. Potter; A. Riding; H. Ripstein; C. Sandblom;
F. Sbrocchi; H. Tutsch; R. Wills.
Dr. P.E. Filion; Messrs. B. Kenley; D. Rae; D. Rostoker

GUESTS: Professors: K. Dhawan; L. Kryzanowski; G. Pederzoli; Z. Popp;
Ms. H. Sommerville.

I. Call to Order - Closed Meeting

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III Call to Order - Open Meeting

The Chairman called the open meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

IV Approval of the Agenda

Prof. Potter moved that the following item be placed in the agenda.

1. 'That it be clarified as to who is acting Dean during the illness of Dean Simon', as was resolved at the Finance Department's meeting of August 30, 1978.

Prof. Kusy moved that the following item be placed on the agenda

2. Election of the steering committee of Faculty Council.

Seconded by Prof. Alvi

Carried

Prof. Kirpalani moved that the agenda be approved as amended

Seconded by Prof. Riding

Carried

V Approval of minutes of previous meeting of Faculty Council

Prof. Barbieri moved that the minutes of the Faculty Council meeting of May 12 and May 19, 1978 be approved.

Seconded by Prof. Wills

Carried

VI Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman introduced Dr. P.E. Filion, Director of Libraries, who addressed Council. He introduced Ms. Sommerville, the new Commerce Librarian replacing Ms. B. Brucha. He did inform Council that she was chosen after extensive search.

Dr. Filion was asked several questions, all pertaining to the upgrading of the library facilities (journals, cost of xeroxing more user service, etc.).

Dr. Filion's responses were encouraging, he also outlined a series of new and automated systems which have been acquired lately, and to date the interest generated in the new facilities show that users are aware and also are making use of the available resources. He also asked Faculty to send their input to Ms. Sommerville in order to use her expertise. He informed Council that she was also available to assist them on the Loyola Campus (Tuesdays), although she is assigned to the SGW Campus.

Dr. Filion asked individuals not to expect overnight changes, because some of the deficiencies are historical data, and its only over a period of time before the changes are reflected.

He remarked that if the Faculty of Commerce feels that they are not adequately represented in terms of student course ratios, they should submit supportive documentation to Senate.

The Chairman thanked Dr. Filion and welcomed Ms. Sommerville to the Faculty of Commerce and Administration Council.

Dean Simon responded to agenda item no. IV (a) informing Council that it was in the purview of the Dean, to appoint a replacement whenever he is incapacitated.

He also remarked, that he saw the primary functions of his tenure as being:-

- a) to manage the faculty through getting more adequate resources.

He presented the concept of a Centre for Management Studies, where he saw adequate possibilities for assisting the Faculty through outside funds.

- b) to increase the public image of his faculty.

VII Question Period

There followed an extensive question period.

VIII Reports from Standing Committees

1. Graduate Studies Committee

Prof. Kirpalani reported on the M.B.A. task force report which had been circulated to faculty, and requested their response.

He also remarked that our enrollment is steady to date, but the competition is very pressing, and should we not streamline our programme, then we will most certainly lose our share of the student market.

He also remarked that the Graduate Studies had passed a motion regarding the exemption of foreign students from French Comprehensive Requirement. It read:-

"that foreign students in the M.B.A., D.I.A. and D.S.A. Programmes on a student visa at the start of the calendar year in which they expect to graduate be exempted from the French requirement upon application to the respective graduate programme directors."

He then moved that the above motion be approved by Council.

Seconded by G. Johns.

Carried

Prof. Kirpalani also noted that the Graduate Studies had set up a standing committee for student requests and reinstatements.

He also informed Council that the Master in Accountancy was tabled at the last Graduate Studies Meeting.

Dean Simon then asked Prof. Kirpalani if he still expected the Programme to be processed as planned, that is for 1979.

Prof. Kirpalani responded that to date, unless there are major snags, we are still on track for 1979, in terms of reaching the various bodies such as Graduate Studies (Board), Senate and the Council.

2. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Prof. Wills noted that the first meeting will be held in one (1) week, and there is a full agenda.

3. Commerce and Administration Consultative Committee

Nothing to report.

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Reports from Faculty representatives on University Committees

1. University Senate

Nothing to report.

2. Graduate Studies Committee

a) M.B.A.

The M.B.A. student body this year is 437. (Last year's enrollment was 415). The promotion budget for the programme is lower than that of last year's.

b) D.I.A.

The student body seems to have declined. Official statistics will be announced when available.

c) Ph.D.

There are now 9 students in the joint-doctoral programme. Prof. Pasold informed Council that he is working on a set of guidelines and he is also preparing an appraisal report.

3. University Curriculum Co-ordinating Committee

Nothing to report

4. Computer Science Committee

Nothing to report.

5. Library Committee

Prof. Baba remarked that the budget (library) for the faculty has increased by 10%.

Discussion ensued regarding the inadequacy of a 10% increase and the need for library resources proportional to the number of students.

6. C.A.S.A.

Prof. Sandblom reported that there had been no meeting to date, but the funds are low.

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Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Prof. Wills moved that the Minor in Marketing, Management be tabled for a future Council Meeting.

Seconded by Prof. Baba.

Carried

Masters in Accountancy

It has been discussed under item VIII, Reports from Standing Committees, 1) Graduate Studies Committee.

Senate Elections

Prof. Riding moved that Prof. Ripstein be elected to replace Prof. L. Smith - term to May 31, 1979.

Seconded by Mr. J. Democko.

Carried

Prof. McGown moved that Prof. Curnew be elected to replace Prof. E. West during the year he is on Leave of Absence.

Seconded by Prof. Ripstein.

Carried

Prof. Tutsch moved that nominations be closed.

Seconded by Prof. McGown.

Carried

Both Profs. Ripstein and Curnew accepted.

Other Elections

Prof. Wills remarked that there must be elections to deal with Re-reads/Re-evaluations regulation (US-78-1-D3).

It was then asked what kind of a response was given by Senate with regard to previous motion submitted by former Acting Dean Boyle.

Prof. Wills informed Council that the motion was not submitted to Senate. An attempt to place the formal motion on the Senate agenda was unsuccessful, and a notice of motion was put forward at the actual Senate meeting by the former Acting Dean.

Prof. Ripstein then moved that:-

"Senate be served notice of motion that the Faculty of Commerce and Administration will submit a report dealing with Re-reads/Re-evaluations (US-78-1-D3) for further consideration".

Seconded by Prof. Wills.

Carried

XI

New Business

a) Undergraduate International Business Minor

Prof. K.C. Dhawan presented a number of documents to Council dealing with the historical data of the Minor in International Business.

He then asked the Chairman to receive the documents.

The Chairman accepted. The documents are appended to the original minutes distributed for the October 13th meeting.

b) Policy on support for writing books

Prof. Kryzanowski addressed Council, concerning what he considered to be inequity when he and Prof. Dhawan sought support for secretarial assistance from their department Chairmen. He also stated that the Dean had not responded to his earlier request to review the matter.

The Chairman informed him that new policies were being documented and will be presented to departments for discussion. He also informed Prof. Kryzanowski that it was not in the power of the Faculty Council to rule on such an issue. Considerable discussion ensued about secretarial assistance.

Prof. Sbrocchi, prior to reading from a document, informed Council that it was not marked confidential. He then read part of a government grant to Profs. Kryzanowski and Dhawan that listed printing expenses. Prof. Kryzanowski objected that these reports were confidential, and that the one quoted was an entirely different study on small business investors.

The Chairman of Faculty Council then closed the debate and moved discussion to item XII.

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Other Business

Nothing to report.

Steering Committee for Faculty Council

Prof. Wills moved that Prof. Baba be elected to serve on the Steering Committee fo Faculty Council.

Prof. Baba declined.

Prof. Pasold volunteered to remain as Secretary

Prof. Ripstein volunteered to remain as a member

Prof. Kusy volunteered to remain as a member.

Prof. Wills moved that Messrs. Rae and Rostoker be elected as student representatives to the Steering Committee of Faculty Council.

Seconded by Prof. McGown.

Carried

Prof. Wills moved that nominations be closed.

Seconded by Prof. Ripstein.

Carried

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Next Meeting

The next meeting of Council will be held on Friday, October 13, 1978 at 9:30 a.m., Loyola Campus, AD-128.

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Adjournment

Prof. Wills moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Seconded by Prof. Ripstein.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Dean Pierre Simon, Chairman

Dr. Peter Pasold, Secretary